

# Torrid Breeze of a Great Ambition Kisses the Icy Brow of William Loeb, And Henceforth He Is a Changed Man



Icebergs and Frigidity Vanish  
As Snow in a Warm  
Sunshine.

President's Secretary Now a  
Member of Two Boards  
of Directors.

William Loeb, Jr., is a changed man. No smug, smiling valet of affability is so remote that he has not blazed the trail to it with gurgling laughter. No field of warm and inviting cordiality is so hidden away that he has not been its Christopher Columbus.

William Loeb, Jr., treads the paths that are bordered by the hills of sweet companionship. He seeks the gardens where the roses of competitive endeavor flaunt their flaming colors. He is remade. Within the last week he has been elected a director of the Chamber of Commerce and also a director of the Washington Railway and Electric Company. All praise to the excitement, the hot glow and the heated tumult that come from the strenuous life of the business and commercial world! This life has melted the eternal icebergs that once surrounded William Loeb, Jr., Secretary to the President. The snows of yesterday have vanished like the morning mist before the summer sun.

He Melts; He Warms. Ye slanders, who have said that Loeb was frozen for all time, retire in silence to where the tall and uncut timbers gag even the voice of rolling echo. He melts, he warms, he enthuses.

Blood, warm as that of human beings, pulses through the veins he has so long kept in cold storage. The frozen smile is dead. Loeb has ambitions, he has plans, he is in the thick of the life that calls for enthusiasm and the rousing hustle of competition. No more does he take pleasure in creating about himself a frigid zone that shall freeze up the loquacity of White House callers and put to naught the questionings of newspaper correspondents. He is no more a buffer between the President and the public. He is in the thick of the action. He is a worker.

Good-by to the Icicle. He has discarded the icicle as the greatest thing on earth. He no longer gazes with adoration upon the hoar frost. Snow is not now his choice climatic condition. A falling mercury is not kept forever on the job, nor is ice water the only thing in the official pitcher.

Loeb smiles with warmth. Suddenly, like a lightning flash in winter, the radiance of his laugh has illuminated the channels of commerce. He is done with the clammy clasp. It is the warm handshake for him hereafter. To the business men of Washington he has come, transformed, revived, endowed with all the vigorous graces of the torrid zones, where heat is a daily affair. They have unveiled him to the world. He is not Loeb, the private secretary, with a thousand secrets on his brain. He is Loeb, the business man, with business to do.

Mr. Loeb is not the only man who, with a White House training, has entered in the last week the realm of business in this city. Benjamin F. Barnes, now City Postmaster, but formerly assistant secretary to the President, was elected director of the Chamber of Commerce on the same evening that saw Mr. Loeb warmed into life.

He, Too, Has Thawed. From that gentleman likewise has dropped the mantle of secretiveness and resentful silence. He, too, is free from the dominating sign of "Silence" that is the law in the offices of the Chief

BENJAMIN F. BARNES.

Chief Executive. He, too, is affable and talkative and free from ice. But it is the warming up of Loeb that is now the talk of the town. Of all the refrigerating secretaries he is the great high commander. He can make refrigerator cars look like a flaming house. He can put a blighting frost on the sunniest hopes that ever presented their helpless souls on the doormat of the Executive offices. Reticence is his realm and the mysterious smile his handmaiden.

Tips the Porter  
But Uncle Samuel  
Don't Foot Bills

Does it pay to be strictly honest in rendering expense accounts? Is a question that at least one Government employee is prepared to answer in the negative at the present time. Traveling in one of the Western States where chair cars are commonly used, he made the fatal mistake of tipping the porter some 15 cents, and charging it to Uncle Sam, as per his expense account.

When the statement reached the department yesterday, the hard-hearted chief clerk spied the innocent-looking item, gave a grunt that signified that a big discovery had been made, and promptly drew a heavy blue pencil through the line.

"Now, that shows," said the chief clerk to a reporter for The Times, "that it does not always pay to be honest. The clerk was honestly trying to travel economically and simply took a chair car, which, by a peculiar construction of the law, does not come under the provision that permits tips to be given to porters, as is the case with sleeping cars."

"Had the clerk walked back into the Pullman car and taken his seat he could have tipped the porter and the department would have stood for the charge, but he put himself without the pale of official recognition when he did business with the chair-car people. There is no provision of law or department usage that officially recognizes the chair car."

The employee will be allowed his expense account minus the charge of 15 cents. The officials realize that the department is losing money by not allowing the charge in the present instance, as the employee will be wise enough not to get caught the same way a second time, yet there is no other way out of the difficulty.

WILLIAM LOEB, JR.

But all that is changed now. Loeb, who astonished the world by getting mad with a rabbit and shooting it to a bloody and frothy death, could at this moment pursue elephants and, by the strength of his flashing and gore-flecked eye, track them to their farthest retreats. He could get all excited and

Ships Dynamited  
In Fertile Mind  
Of Joker at Sea

Some joker on the high seas at the active end of a wireless telegraph apparatus is held responsible for the flood of inquiries that have been coming to the Navy Department over repeated reports of the destruction of Admiral Evans' battleships.

According to these reports, three ships of the fleet have already been blown up—the Connecticut, the Rhode Island, and the Louisiana. The telephone bells in Secretary Metcalf's office and the Bureau of Navigation have been kept jingling by the anxious ones who have relatives with the fleet.

One dispatch, as news as can be ascertained, came from Boston, another from Norfolk. A third was picked up in some fashion at Panama. Reports have come to be so common in the corridors of the Navy Department that if a real live one came in naval officers would stand off and smile at it, and the messengers would turn their backs on it.

Up in the further end of the building the State Department end, where Japanese apprehension is alleged to originate, there is only slumberous quiet also. War talk has become so enervated it could lose itself in the shadows of the corridor. The financial difficulties of the Mikado's realm let the bottom out of the pot of rumors that have been providing space for the foreign correspondents. There is such a stringency in the supply of war talk that Haiti's revolution, which doesn't lend itself to enlargement very readily, has suddenly become a center of interest.

If by any chance any war vessel should run down the source of the wireless rumors, it is likely that the first bona-fide casualty that has hobbled up for many days would be chronicled by the press.

NO LYCURGUS STATUE  
FOR CLEVELAND WOMEN

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18.—The women of Cleveland are protesting against the county building commission's announced intention to make a figure of Lycurgus one of a group of law-givers before the new court house.

"It's preposterous," exclaimed Mrs. A. E. McKee, of the council for women. "Why, he made it lawful for men to borrow each other's wives. He gave children to the state and the weak to be destroyed."

Mrs. Stella A. Jacob, secretary of the Women's Republican League, said: "Any statue on our public buildings should be suitable for our children to study. His would not be. What's the use of going back to the sunrise ages anyway?"

"Our whole tendency is to debauchery anyway," said Mrs. S. K. Waterman, head of the Purify League. "There is enough impurity to swamp the coming generation without any more."

"77"  
Seventy-seven  
for Colds and  
GRIP

The best we can tell you about Humphrey's Seventy-Seven is: That it cures Grip and Colds by acting directly on the sick spots, without disturbing the rest of the system.

That the tonic of Seventy-seven, sustains the vitality, so that, that tired, pulled down feeling usually following an attack of Grip is largely eliminated. All Druggists sell, most Druggists recommend "77."

Humphrey's Homeo. Medicine Co., Cor. William and John Streets, New York.

HAHN'S SHOES  
FOR DRESSY MEN  
Three Stores  
Corner 7th and K Sts.  
1014-16 Pa Ave.  
255 Pa Ave. S.E.

## WILEY CAMP SAD OVER LOST POWER

Board Member Belittles  
Value of Professors From  
California and Virginia.

Will the Board of Food and Drug Inspection pine away in innocuous desuetude, now that the President has determined to appoint a commission of five university scientists to thresh out the mooted questions that may arise?

This is the question which scientists of the Department of Agriculture were anxiously propounding today, after announcement from the White House that Dr. H. W. Wiley's final court on appeal would no longer have deciding opinion on questions of adulteration of foods.

When Dr. Wiley was asked for some expression, he sadly declined to make any comment, beyond suggesting lugubriously that maybe the change would be a good idea. One of the other members of the board, however, was inclined to be wrathful. Particular exception is taken by this expert to the universities from which the President says he will make selection of the commission. These were Yale, Johns Hopkins, California, Chicago, and Virginia.

"LET JUGS TRAVEL,"  
IS BARTHOLOTT'S PLEA

Representative Bartholdt of Missouri appeared before a subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday to oppose the Tillman bill, the Dooliver bill, and other bills which seek to give the States the control of liquor shipped into their borders.

Mr. Bartholdt appeared for the German American Alliance and he protested that such legislation was an interference with personal liberty. He protested against the bills on other grounds also.

Other representatives of the same organization were heard later by the subcommittee. Senator Tillman and Senator Dooliver spoke in behalf of the proposed legislation.

## FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF RECTOR'S SERVICE

In St. Andrew's Parish hall, at the corner of Fourteenth and Corcoran streets northwest, the anniversary of the Rev. George Calvert Carter's rectorship of four years was celebrated by a large parish dinner.

Many people were in the hall between 5:30 and 7:30 and were accommodated at the tables as fast as places could be found. An excellent dinner was provided by the ladies of the parish, with Mrs. Soule in charge, and was served by them in a most delightful manner.

When all had dined every one was invited to the main floor of the building to witness the burning of the \$10,000 worth of \$100 bonds of the second mortgage, which the congregation has been able to clear off.

At 8 o'clock the curtain before the little stage at the end of the hall was raised, disclosing the Rev. Dr. Carter and the members of his vestry gathered in a semi-circle around a large brass bowl, and after a few appropriate words from the rector, the bonds were burned amid the applause of the onlookers. Following this at 8:30 o'clock a well-attended meeting of the Ivy Club took place, when over seventy-five young people enjoyed dancing.

DECAYED TEETH LOOK BAD  
Have them Crowned. Our prices are very reasonable for high class work. We use only the best material and guarantee all our work.  
Set of Teeth.....\$5.00 up  
Gold Crowns and Bridgework, \$4.00.  
GOLD FILLINGS, \$1.00 up.  
Amalgam Fillings, 50c.  
Royal Dentists, - 707 G St. N.W.  
Hours-Daily, 9 to 6. Sunday, 10 to 1.

Pure Elgin Butter, lb....30c  
Fresh Eggs, doz.....23c  
Challenge Milk, can.....10c  
Shriver's Corn, can.....8c  
Best Tomatoes, can.....8c  
15c Can June Peas.....10c  
Starch, lb.....4c  
All 5c Soaps.....4c

Flour at Wholesale Prices  
Sanitary Grocery Co.  
Stores:

105 7th St. N. W. 3d and H Sts. N. W.  
409 7th St. S. W. 600 B St. S. E.  
700 L St. S. E. 1201 H St. N. E.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY—DON'T MISS IT  
Genuine French Dry Cleaning  
AT EXTRA SPECIAL PRICES FOR THIS WEEK ONLY

10% Off  
these special prices to Times readers sending this coupon. Coupon must be presented to get discount—GOOD ONLY WEEK JAN. 20th to 25th

Ladies' Dresses, \$2.00  
Fancy or Plain, cleaned.  
Ladies' Waists, 75c  
Fancy or Plain, cleaned.  
Skirts, \$1.00  
Fancy or plain.  
Gentlemen's Suits, \$1.25  
Cleaned.  
Gentlemen's Fancy Vests, 35c  
Cleaned.  
Gentlemen's Suits, 50c  
Sponged and Pressed.

GOODS CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED  
Phone U's—Main 5028—Our Wagon Will Call.  
THE FRENCH DRY CLEANING CO.  
JULIUS ARNSTEIN, Proprietor.  
718 13th Street N. W.

YOUR CREDIT HERE IS AS GOOD AS YOUR CASH ELSEWHERE

CREDIT The Famous CREDIT  
421-423-7th St. N.W.

## Truly the Greatest Clothing Event of All

The Famous has time and time again furnished startling news of clothing purchases, but this event—the buying of the entire surplus stock of Men's Suits, Overcoats, and Raincoats from L. Siff & Brother, New York—is beyond doubt the greatest of all. This firm are makers of only clothing of the highest grade, and every store in Washington was after the lot. We closed it out—bought it all—at a clean-cut reduction of ONE-HALF. THE OPPORTUNITY IS YOURS.



## Men's Suits, Overcoats, and Raincoats

\$18, \$20, \$22, and \$25 Values

Suits are fine worsteds and cassimeres, in mixtures and blacks, single and double-breasted. Overcoats come in black, blue, and gray materials, and are cut after the most approved winter styles. Raincoats are guaranteed absolutely waterproof, and will hold their shape in all sorts of weather; oxford, gray, and black materials. Every garment is perfectly made and finished in that style only to be had in the best ready-to-wear clothing. All the credit you wish.

\$9.75

## Specials In Our Women's Department

Women's \$8.00,  
\$10.00, and  
\$12.00  
TOURIST COATS

We have just 65 Tourist Coats left of this lot—they are made of mixed cloth and light in color—gray, tan, and brown—trimmed with velvet and braid. Some have velvet cuffs and collars. All of these coats are 32 inches long, and the greatest values we have ever offered. The same coats have been selling at \$8, \$10, and \$12. You may have them with all the credit you wish, at

\$2.98

FURS  
All of our Furs must be sold at once. Price no object and all the credit you wish.

Women's Tailor  
Made Suits -  
\$25.00 and \$30.00 Values

Some of the Finest Clifton Broadcloth and novelty material suits. Tailored in the newest styles—short, medium, and long coats—silk and satin lined—handsomely trimmed—they come in all colors. Credit if you wish.

\$14.98

Women's \$20.00  
to \$30.00  
TIGHT-FITTING  
COATS

A special lot of Black and Tan Kersey and French Broadcloth, tight fitting 1/2 inch Coats that we bought at our own price—trimmed with velvet—velvet collars and cuffs. Unusually well tailored and handsomely lined throughout. Such coats as these never sell for less than \$30, but we offer them, with all the credit you wish, at

\$7.50

**RHEUMATISM**  
Makes a man feel old before his time. His joints become stiff, his circulation poor, and his suffering makes him irritable.

**Sloan's Liniment**

gives him instant relief from pain, starts up a good circulation, relieves congestion, and gives elasticity to the muscles and joints. It is very penetrating, needs hardly any rubbing. Best remedy for Sciatica, Lumbago, Sprains, Strains, Cuts, Burns and Bruises.

25c, 50c, and \$1.00.  
Dr. Earl S. Sloan, Boston, Mass.